

If you like

Jodi Picoult

try reading...

Talk Before Sleep

by Elizabeth Berg

Ann and Ruth have been great friends their entire adult lives; when Ruth is diagnosed with cancer their friendship becomes even more profound. (FIC BER)

Midwives

by Chris Bohjalian

Cut off from the hospital and rescue squad by an ice storm, midwife Sibyl Danforth performs a cesarean section on a patient she believes has died of a stroke during labor. When her assistant tells police the mother was alive during the surgery, Sibyl and the entire community are drawn into a gripping trial. (FIC BOH)

At Risk

Alice Hoffman

Eleven-year old Amanda contracts AIDS as a result of a blood transfusion five years ago. In unsensationalized detail, Hoffman depicts the effects of her illness on her family, friends, and neighbors. (FIC HOF)

While I Was Gone

Sue Miller

Jo Becker seems to have escaped her past, when in 1968 she found her friend brutally murdered in their communal house in Massachusetts. But when a former housemate from her bohemian days in the commune appears in her home town, she is forced to relive her dark past. Also try *The Good Mother* and *Family Pictures*. (FIC MIL)

One True Thing

Anna Quindlen

The life choices of a mother and daughter are reassessed as the mother lies dying of cancer. (FIC QUI)

The Deep End of the Ocean

Jacquelyn Mitchard

Beth Cappadora finds herself in the midst of every parent's nightmare when her three-year-old son vanishes from a Chicago hotel lobby, throwing Beth, her husband, and their son into a turmoil that ravages their lives. (FIC MIT)

You might also try...

Half a Heart

by Rosellen Brown

(FIC BRO)

The Secret Between Us

by Barbara Delinsky

(FIC DEL)

The Beach House

by Jane Green

(FIC GRE)

A Map of the World

by Jane Hamilton

(FIC HAM)

The Knitting Circle

by Ann Hood

(FIC HOO)

The Ha-Ha

by Dave King

(FIC KIN)

Then She Found Me

by Elinor Lipman

(FIC LIP)

Summer's Child

by Luanne Rice

(FIC RIC)

***No One You Know* or**

The Year of Fog

by Michelle Richmond

(FIC RIC)

The Last Time They Met

by Anita Shreve

(FIC SHR)

Off Season

by Ann River Siddons

(FIC SID)